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Staff meeting, which, as has been the case recently, included a long discussion of the various resolutions on Korea now being considered at the United Nations, and also whether or not to have a December 15 meeting of NATO.

Afterwards, I saw Jack Bingham, [redacted] then George Messersmith. I had an opportunity to thank George personally for the beautiful goatskin rugs he had sent us.

I went to see the President at 12:30, and told him of the great difficulties which Dean was encountering in New York [redacted] Korea. He approved a recommendation that we had made instructing Dean to insist upon the principle of non-forcible repatriation of prisoners.

We had our PSB lunch today at Bill Foster's office. He had just returned from his trip around the world. The most substantial matter under consideration was a decision favoring the sending of the Chinese Nationalist prisoners in Indochina to Formosa, with a similar disposition to be made of General Li Mi's troops in Burma.

Upon my return here, I signed a treaty with Hume Wrong for the promotion of safety on the Great Lakes. There was photography but no speeches.

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Messrs. Perkins, Battle, Parsons and Moore came in to talk further about the NATO meeting. This we discuss daily back and forth across the Atlantic, with New York, and Messrs. Lovett, Harriman and Snyder.

The Australian Foreign Minister Dick Casey, Mr. Moodie from the Australian Embassy, and Messrs. Foster and Wallenbaum met with me this afternoon. I told Casey of our dissatisfaction with the watered-down

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resolutions regarding Korea which Menon of the Indian Delegation and Selwyn Lloyd of the British Delegation have been preparing. We will insist on language to make clear our adherence to the principle of non-forcible repatriation.

We went to dinner tonight at the Belgian Embassy. It was in honor of Monsieur Segnier, President of the Union Miniere du Haut Katanga, with whom we have had satisfactory relations over many years. He is one of the ablest business men in Belgium, and is responsible for our uranium arrangements in the Congo. There were also present Monsieur Robillhat, formerly Governor General of the Belgian Congo and now head of the Belgian Atomic Energy Commission, Gordon Dean, the Snyths, Gordon Arneson, and other Americans interested in atomic energy.

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